

Tippecanoe County Board of Commissioners
Executive Order

Declaration of Level II Essential Travel Permitted
Transportation Emergency

WHEREAS, Chapter 3 of the Ordinance entitled "Tippecanoe County, Indiana Emergency Management Advisory Council and Emergency Management Agency" empowers Management Advisory Council and Emergency Management Agency" empowers the chief executive officer of Tippecanoe County to declare the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency or disaster to IC 10-4-1-23 and; further establishes

WHEREAS, Tippecanoe County Commissioners Ordinance 2008-01-CM, the "Transportation Emergency Ordinance of Tippecanoe County, Indiana" provides the commissioners with authority to declare the existence or the threatened existence of a transportation emergency so as to regulate the operation and parking of motor vehicles to protect the public safety during an emergency situation and;

WHEREAS, the chief executive of Tippecanoe County, Indiana does hereby find that weather Conditions which threaten the safety of persons and property have arisen on the date of Thursday, January 15, 2009, within Tippecanoe County caused by the occurrence of severe winter weather (extreme cold temperatures, high winds, icy roadways, blowing and drifting snow) so that it has, or may become, a hazard to the safe operation or parking of motor vehicles on roadways interferes with actions necessary for damage debris removal or other necessary emergency operations within Tippecanoe County.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND DECLARED that a Level II Essential Travel Permitted Transportation Emergency now exists within Tippecanoe County and said Sections 4 through 15 of the Transportation Emergency Ordinance of Tippecanoe County shall now be placed in effect and; that said Transportation Emergency shall terminate as of 8:00 a.m. on Friday, January 16, 2009, unless extended, suspended by action of the Tippecanoe County Board of Commissioners

IT IS FURTHER DECLARED that during the existence of said Transportation Emergency, Powers, duties and functions of the emergency service organizations of Tippecanoe County shall be those prescribed by the Tippecanoe County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan which is now placed in effect.

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And
Fact Sheet

Authority:

Transportation Emergency Ordinance, Section 4

Transportation Emergency Used for:

Significant travel hazards consisting of lowland flooding; wind caused damage; damage debris scattered on roadway, widespread tree/limbs or utility system damage blocking roadways and other emergency situations.

Snow Emergency Use for:

Excessive, crippling winter weather effects on roadways

Fact Sheet
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On Thursday, January 29, 2009, the Tippecanoe County Commissioners declared a **Level II Essential Travel Permitted Transportation Emergency** to be in effect in Tippecanoe County. This Transportation Emergency is in effect until further notice.

During a **Level II Essential Travel Permitted Transportation Emergency**, only essential travel will be permitted on county roads. Essential travel is defined in the ordinance as:

- Travel to and from work
- Travel to obtain essential medical care
- Travel to obtain essential prescription medications
- Travel to obtain essential supply of food or fuel
- Travel to obtain safe shelter
- Travel of emergency vehicles and emergency workers

Vehicle operators traveling for essential purposes are required to operate their vehicles safely and with all caution necessary for the existing conditions. Any travel may be significantly delayed. Plan to travel by main roads and allow for extra driving time. Motorists who become stranded risk injury if exposed to existing conditions. Do not take un-necessary chances.

Travel for non-essential purposes is prohibited. Violators may be fined up to \$150.00.

Parking on all county roads and their right-of-way is prohibited. Vehicles which are found parked in violation of this order will be removed at the owner's expense.

Vehicles which are stalled, stranded or found abandoned on county roads or their right-of-way will also be removed at the owner's expense.

The Tippecanoe County Sheriff's Office will maintain information on any vehicle towed or removed from a county road during this emergency. The Sheriff's Office may be contacted at (765) 423-9388 for information concerning the disposition of any vehicle removed. The vehicle owner must pay any towing, storage or other fees before the vehicle may be released.

Questions concerning this Level III Essential Travel Permitted Transportation Emergency may be directed to:

Executed and effective this 29th day of January, 2009 at 5.00 pm.

By the Chief Executive Officers of Tippecanoe County, Indiana.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
COUNTY OF TIPPECANOE



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Tippecanoe County Emergency
Management Agency Director

Tippecanoe County Emergency Management Agency—(765) 742-1334

Or

Tippecanoe County Sheriff's Department—(765) 423-9388

If emergency assistance is needed or, to report an emergency incident call 9-1-1. For information, other assistance or to report damage call the Emergency Management Agency at (765) 742-1334.